



## **Arlington Council on Aging**

### **Minutes**

*Date: Thursday November 16, 2023 Time: 6:00 pm*

*Present: Pat Baillieul, Sheila Connerney, Nancy Cox, Nancy Feeney, Sherry Graham, Mary Hung, Mara Klein-Collins, Karen Nichols, Michael Quinn, Bob Tosi Jr., Marjorie Vanderhill*

*Select Board representative present: Steve DeCoursey (not present)*

*Location: This meeting was conducted in a hybrid format.*

*Kristine Shah, Executive Director*

*Michael Quinn, Chair*

*Sheila Connerney, Secretary*

*The Council's primary responsibilities are to design, promote, and implement programs and services to address the needs of the community's elder population, and to coordinate existing services in the community.*

1. Call to order at 6:01pm
2. Minutes of the October 2023 meeting for approval  
Nancy Cox made a motion to approve the minutes. Sherry Graham seconded the motion. The minutes from October 2023 were approved.
3. Citizen's Open Forum  
Question was asked about a broken elevator. Repair is pending.
4. Report: Executive Director
5. Report: Chair
  - a. Town Election, Question 2: Senior Tax Relief. During the recent election, Question 2 passed and will provide a new senior property tax credit for Arlington residents.
6. Report: Minuteman Senior Services  
Auction runs for the next few weeks. This is Minuteman's main money-maker.  
There is an urgent need for MOW drivers. Go to Mlnuteman's web site to apply.
7. Old Business
8. New Business

9. Other Community Announcements
10. Nancy Cox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary Hung seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm
11. **Next meeting: December 21, 2023**

#### **Executive Director's Report: Kristine Shah**

- I. Parking Permit Program
- II. Upcoming new Programs/Activities:
  - a. COA Winter Ball- December 7, 5pm
  - b. Bilingual Story Telling
  - c. English at Large Class Hosting
- III. Harry Barber Renter Relief Program - Full; Volunteer Property Tax Work Off- Full; Elderly and Disabled Tax Relief Applications Due January 31
- IV. Budget
  - a. Arlington EATS Transportation ARPA Funds
  - b. End of Year fundraising ask - Emergency Fund
- V. Board Member Engagement Opportunities
  - a. Board Leadership Positions starting July 1
  - b. Urgent Need for Minuteman MOW Drivers
  - c. Opportunity: Meal Deliveries on Thanksgiving Morning
  - d. Opportunity: Warm Wishes Deliveries in December